

# FISCAL NOTE

**Bill #:** HB0060

**Title:** Exempt deaf & blind school from spending reductions

**Primary Sponsor:** McKenney, J

**Status:** As Introduced

Sponsor signature	Date	Chuck Swysgood, Budget Director	Date
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## Fiscal Summary

	<b><u>FY 2004 Difference</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2005 Difference</u></b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	0	0
<b>Revenue:</b>	0	0
<b>Net Impact on General Fund Balance:</b>	0	0

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov. Impact    | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached  | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2             |

## Fiscal Analysis

### ASSUMPTIONS:

1. There is a balanced budget adopted by the 2003 Legislature and revenues and expenditures come in close to the anticipated level.
2. 17-7-140, MCA will not be used in the 2005 biennium.

### LONG-RANGE IMPACTS:

Removing the Montana School and Deaf and Blind (MSDB) from the agencies that the Governor can reduce budgets or switch funding sources will limit options available to the Governor. With fewer options available, there is a greater risk of a special session being needed to solve budget shortfalls that trigger the requirements of 17-7-140, MCA and deeper reductions will be required of the other agencies for any shortfall.

The executive budget recommends \$7.0 million general fund for the MSDB over the 2005 biennium. Up to \$700,000, which is 10 percent, would not be available to the Governor for reductions in spending or switches in funding in the event 17-7-140, MCA, would be triggered.